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Sir:

Further to the preliminary amendment filed on June 23, 2005, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.

The claims are presented on pages 2-3.

Claims 37-39 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claim 40 is amended.

Remarks begin on page 4.